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HOMEMAKERS' CHAT

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SUBJECT: "Check the Gage Now" - Information from canning specialists
of the U. S. Department of Agriculture

Home canners...here's a reminder from canning specialists of the
U. S. Department of Agriculture.

If you haven't already checked your pressure canner gage to see that
it's in perfect working order...the time for this first job of the canning
season is now.

Why the rush?

Well...you may be able to get the gage checked right away...of course.
Your county home demonstration agent or home management supervisor may check
it for you. Or the dealer from whom you bought the canner may have a gage
or tester...or one of the utility companies may be prepared to check the
pressure canner gage for you this year.

So...chances are...it won't take long to get the gage checked...
particularly if you take your canner gage in before the rush starts.

But suppose you can't get it tested near home and you need to send it
to the manufacturer for testing? In these busy days...it may be several
weeks before the gage is returned.

So rather than take any chances.. the smart home canner will plan
to get her pressure canner gage tested right now.

Just in case you do have to send the gage to the manufacturer...pack
it like delicate glass and mark it fragile. No question about it....the
gage to your pressure cooker is an important instrument.



